# National and Regional Overview of I&M Program

Status as of 1/16/2002

#### National Overview

- I&M budget has tripled in 2 years, a gain of \$13 million
- This year is the 2nd of a 4-year strategy to implement monitoring in all 270 parks in I&M program
- Linkage is getting stronger between monitoring and GPRA, planning, performance management, etc.

#### National Overview (cont)

- Funding generally following the FirePro model
- May develop distinct org codes for Networks
- WASO giving Networks lots of flexibility in how Networks are structured

## National Overview (cont)

- First 5 Networks (received full **monitoring** funding in FY01: includes Heartland) have established Board of Directors, Charters, and hired coordinators
- 7 additional Networks will receive full monitoring funding in FY02
- 5 Networks (including Great Lakes) to receive full **monitoring** funding in FY03

#### National Overview (cont.)

- Balance of networks (including Northern Great Plains) to receive full monitoring funding in FY04
- However, networks have been receiving partial **monitoring** funding (I.e., startup money) in year prior to full funding

# Regional Overview

- Regional I&M web page available (soon) from MWR home page
- Regional Coordinator supervising one coordinator, other supervised by host park superintendent
- One network coordinator based at park,
  other off park with Fish & Wildlife Service

## Regional Overview

- Northern Great Plains Network to get \$197,070 in FY02 for inventories
- NGP Network to get \$197,764 in FY03 for inventories
- Should get \$150k in FY03 for **monitoring** startup